### MAYOR & COUNCIL AGENDA COVER SHEET

MEETIN	G D	ATE:
February	20.	2007

#### **CALL TO PODIUM:**

#### **RESPONSIBLE STAFF:**

David B. Humpton, City Manager Cathy G. Borten, City Attorney

#### **AGENDA ITEM:**

(please check one)

	Presentation
	Proclamation/Certificate
	Appointment
	Public Hearing
	Historic District
X	Consent Item
	Ordinance
	Resolution
	Policy Discussion
	Work Session Discussion Item
	Other:

#### **PUBLIC HEARING HISTORY:**

(Please complete this section if agenda item is a public hearing)

Introduced	
Advertised	
Hearing Date	
Record Held Open	
Policy Discussion	

## TITLE:

Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Negotiate and Execute a Renewal of Retention Agreement with Special Counsel Stanley D. Abrams, Esq. (\$24,000)

## **SUPPORTING BACKGROUND:**

In 2004, the City entered a Retention Agreement with Stanley D. Abrams, Esq., to act as Special Counsel to the City. With this Agreement in place, the City Attorney and senior staff have been able to consult with Mr. Abrams on legal issues within his noted areas of expertise. The City has found this Agreement beneficial in past. This resolution will authorize the City Manager to enter into a further renewal of that Agreement for 2007.

## **DESIRED OUTCOME:**

Vote on Resolution

# **Resolution Request Form**

REQUEST FORM FOR RESOLUTIONS PERTAINING TO EXPENDITURES FROM THE CITY BUDGET (CONTRACTS/PURCHASES, TRANSFER FUNDS)

(Please attach the Mayor and Council Agenda Cover Sheet to this Form. For contracts/purchases, the Cover Sheet MUST include a list of all bidders and bid amounts.)

Requested by: <u>David B. Humton, City Manager</u> Date of C 2007	City Council Meeting: February 20,
<u>AUTHORIZING</u>	Nogotioto/
Purchase Award Contract Transfer Funds	Negotiate/ Execute a Contract <u>X</u>
BID INFORMATION:	
Advertisement Date	
Newspaper(s)	
Bids Opened/Tabulated (date)	
DESCRIPTION OF ITEM(S): (Be specific; include quantity, item name, model number, etc.)	
Retention Agreement for Special Counsel, to be paid monthly.	
CONTRACTED/PURCHASE FROM: Company Name: <u>Stanley D. Abrams, Esq.</u>	
Street Address 4550 Montgomery Avenue, Suite 760N	
P. O. Box Number	
City/State/Zip Bethesda, MD 20814	
CONTRACT/PURCHASE AMOUNT: \$24,000.0	<u>0</u>
Check One: In the Amount of Not	to Exceed X
FUNDS TO BE EXPENDED FROM: Operating Budget X	_ Capital Improvements Budget
Account Number:1111/533000 (For Finance Department use only; not to be	e included in the Resolution)
VERIFICATION OF AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS Available	X Not available
Finance Do	ept. Date

RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE A RENEWAL OF RETENTION AGREEMENT WITH SPECIAL COUNSEL
STANLEY D. ABRAMS, ESQ.
WHEREAS, in 2004 the City entered a Retention Agreement with Stanley

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y D. Abrams, Esq., to act as Special Counsel to the City; and

WHEREAS, the Retention Agreement has given the City Attorney and senior staff the ability to consult with Mr. Abrams on legal issues within his noted areas of expertise; and

WHEREAS, the City has found the Retention Agreement to be beneficial in the past; and

WHEREAS, the current Retention Agreement is about to expire, and the Council finds that it is in the City's best interest to renew the Retention Agreement:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and City Council of Gaithersburg, that the City Manager be and he hereby authorized to negotiate and execute a Renewal of Retention Agreement with Special Counsel Stanley D. Abrams. Esg., in an amount not to exceed Twenty-Four Thousand Dollars (\$24,000.00); said funds to be expended from the Operating Budget.

ADOPTED by the Mayor and City Council this 20<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2007.

SIDNEY A. KATZ, MAYOR and President of the Council

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that the foregoing Resolution was adopted by the City Council in public meeting assembled on the 20<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2007.

David B. Humpton, City Manager